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Executive Secretary
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DD/I - 117-52

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director/Intelligence

THROUGH : Assistant Director for Intelligence Coordination

SUBJECT : External Research on Postwar Agricultural Developments in Azerbaijan

REFERENCE : (1) Staff Study to DD/I, dated 1 December 1952, subject: Approval of Funds for External Research (Tab A)

(2) Contract, dated 2 February 1953, as amended, with [redacted] (Tab B)

(3) Staff Study to DD/I, dated 27 July 1953, subject as above (Tab C)

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1. Problem

To continue external research on postwar agricultural developments in Azerbaijan.

2. Facts Bearing on the Problem

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a. [redacted] has been under personal service contract with ORR since 2 February 1953.

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b. Upon termination of the initial contract which covered a period of six months, the contract was renewed for an additional six months in accordance with Reference 3, above. [redacted] is expected to complete his current study as of 1 February 1954, at which time a final report will be made available to ORR for analysis.

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c. Until FDD is able to provide ORR with a complete translation of this report, it will not be possible to properly appraise [redacted] work; although from a review of translated portions of the report, his work appears to be of the highest quality.

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d. This preliminary evaluation will be utilized by the Materials Division of ORR to determine whether a full-scale external research project should be initiated on Soviet Agricultural Policy.

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3. Discussion

a. It is desirable for ORR analysts to discuss the report with the author, to obtain additional information of a related nature in connection with the project Reliability of Soviet Commodity Statistics (due 15 March 1954).

b. It is estimated that a two-month extension of the existing contract (in accordance with the provisions set forth in Tab A, paragraph 3) will provide sufficient time for complete analysis and a thorough discussion of the research report made by [redacted]. During this period [redacted] will also be assigned the task of preparing a preliminary evaluation of the economic impact of the new Soviet Agricultural Policies.

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c. The cost will be approximately \$850 (compensation at the rate of \$400 per month, plus travel and per diem) chargeable to Allotment Account 4-5701-10.

4. Recommendation

That the existing personal service contract with [redacted] be extended for a period of two months at a cost of \$850 (compensation at the rate of \$400 per month, plus travel and per diem).

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